

Reuss Backslide Overdrive

The Reuss Backslide Overdrive is based on the mid-eighties Tokai TOD-1 Overdrive. This was Tokai's attempt of copying the Boss SD-1 Super Overdrive pedal, but either by pure luck or by engineering genius, Tokai came up with a superior sounding pedal to the Boss. The Backslide features the exact same rare and unusual semiconductor parts as the vintage Tokai pedal

Controls

- 'LEVEL' is the level control. Turning it clockwise increases the output level of the pedal.
- 'DRIVE' is the overdrive control. Turning it clockwise increases the amount of drive.
- 'TONE' is the tone control. Turning it clockwise makes the tone brighter.

Switches

- The footswitch turns the effect on and off, indicated by the orange LED.

Internal switches

- The 'FAT MOD' switch extends the pedal's low frequency-response one octave down compared to the 'stock' Tokai circuit (the pedal ships in 'FAT' mode).
- The 'ASYM/SYM' switch sets the clipping mode. Pedal ships in asymmetrical clipping mode, which is the 'stock' Tokai setting. Setting the switch for symmetric clipping makes the sound a bit smoother and more compressed (less dynamic), similar to a Tube Screamer-type pedal.

Connectors

- Right side jack is the input of the pedal. Connect your instrument here.
- Left side jack is the output.
- There is DC connector for an external power supply at the right side of the pedal. The Backslide Overdrive can be run at 9-18V. The DC connector is a standard guitar pedal 'negative centre'-type jack. ONLY use this type. Reversing the polarity can damage the pedal. The pedal can also run on a 9V battery (not included).

Please note: The pedal is drawing power from the battery, when there is a jack in the input connector. Always remove the input jack when the pedal is not in use, if you are running it with a battery

Features and Specifications

- Classic 80s overdrive circuit based on the Tokai TOD-1
- Made with rare vintage new old stock semiconductor parts
- 1S2473 clipping diodes
- Internal switch for asymmetrical/symmetrical clipping
- Internal 'fat' switch which extends the low-end one octave down
- Extremely high build quality. Completely handmade in the European Union
- Powder coated enclosure in metallic baby blue with real silk screen printed graphics
- Runs on a standard 'Boss-type' guitar pedal 9V power supply or 9V battery (not included). The pedal handles up to 18V from an external power supply for increased headroom.
- High quality Neutrik jacks
- Rugged upgrade quality footswitch (good for at least 50000 stomps)



Battery access

Remove the four screws at the bottom side of the pedal with a philips head screwdriver to remove the bottom plate and gain access to the battery.

Warranty

All Reuss pedals comes with a limited 24 months warranty against manufacturing faults. The warranty is not covering normal wear and tear or abuse.

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